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At the request of the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council on Education we have examined the works sent up from the several Schools in connexion with the Science and Art Department, for the purpose of awarding medallions to those specimens which appeared to us most meritorious. The list of successful candidates is appended to our Report.

The number of works submitted for our inspection this year is 474, being an advance on the number of last year. With the exception of "drawing and painting from the living nude model," all stages are represented, some, however, more adequately than others.

The competition in the early stages of the course of instruction laid down by the Department is naturally arduous. And, as it is in these stages that the peculiar training adopted is most obvious, it is satisfactory to find in them a large amount of excellence, which has called on our part for a full award of medallions. This is peculiarly the case in stage 10, "flowers and foliage drawn from nature." The works in this stage evidence great observation and study of nature, and much perseverance and well-directed labour in embodying it.

In that part of the course wherein the study of light and shadow is commenced, the attention of the students should be directed, in the more elementary stage (4), to the mode of execution shown in the examples placed before them, and the study of gradations with which those examples supply them. In the more advanced stage "shading from the cast," in which the mode of execution is left to their choice aided by previous experience, their attention should be turned to the principles of light and shade, such as breadth of masses; the relief to be obtained by contrast; the due interchange of hardness and softness of outline; the relative value and strength of shadow, cast-shadows and reflections, and the management of high-lights and half-lights. In some instances works in this stage, otherwise meritorious, have failed of success from too exclusive a reliance on mere execution.

The Examiners would emphatically counsel Masters of Schools of Art to discourage all systems and mannerism of execution, which, though possibly considered effective, have a tendency to interfere with the real object of all drawing, namely, a correct representation of form, and light and shade, with the point.

It has not been usual heretofore to place before the Examiners for awards "studies of the human figure shaded from flat examples." The original drawings from the life by Mr. Mulready having been circulated 562.

among the Schools during the past year, several studies have been submitted to us in this section, and their merit has entitled them to awards. We have thought it right to offer encouragement to this section of stage (6), which, with such fine examples provided for the purpose, may form a proper introduction to the future study of the living model.

A slight improvement is this year observable in the study of the antique, both "shaded" and "in outline from the round;" this has permitted an extension of the awards in these stages. At the same time the Examiners would gladly see more zeal and intelligence evinced in this section. These qualities are more apparent in the anatomical section, in which some of the works approach excellence.

We regret that but few painted studies of flowers from nature have been submitted; such studies are especially valuable to the ornamentist, and should be encouraged in the schools. The works in stage 22 (sec. b and c,) are also less numerous than heretofore, nor are they quite so satisfactory as on former occasions. Less emphasis has been given to the characteristics of the flower forming the subject of the year, and the arrangement of colour in these works is not so commendable as usual. The works in section (d) of this stage are on the contrary more than usually numerous and excellent.

On the whole we think the instruction in the various schools is going on soundly, and with a tendency to improvement. The comparison of the awards of previous years with those of the present affords the best means of ascertaining the relative position of the schools to each other, as also the advance or retrogression of each as compared with its former and average efforts. (Table 2).

On a former occasion the Examiners recommended a gratuity to the Master of a School of Art for the success of his instruction as shown by the awards made to his students in the national competition. They again desire to recommend that a gratuity of £15 be given to the Master of the Hanley School for the sound teaching evidenced by the awards made to his students in so many stages of the Departmental course.

(Signed) C. L. EASTLAKE. J. C. HORSLEY. RICHD. REDGRAVE.

Table I.

Alphabetical List of Students rewarded at the National Competition, 1860.

Name of Student.	School.	Stage rewarded.	Subject.
Adams, Stephen . Archer, Henry .	Hauley Sheffield	3 b. 23 d.	Ornament in outline. Plastic design.
Barr, Peter	Greenock	5 b. 9 b.	Ornament in chalk. Anatomical study.
Ramott Hellev	Finsbury		Foliage in outline.
Rartlett Anne	Gower Street	10ra.	Forrige in outline.
Bartlett, Anne Bennett, John	Hanley	16	Figure in monochrome.
Dlain John	Paisley	17 b.	A head from life.
Blair, John Bly, Jabez	Worcester	14 a.	Fruit from nature.
Bly, Janez	Hanley	12 a, 22 b.	Ornament in monochrome.
Boon, Wm.	Stoke	22 d.	Historic ornament.
Brain, George	Manchester	17 b.	Figure from life.
Bradley, Basil		10 a.	Foliage in outline.
Brown, Eleanora .	Exeter	0.0	Figure in outline.
Boon, Wm. Brain, George Bradley, Basil Brown, Eleanora Brown, Thomas Brown, Thomas	Finsbury .	6 b.	Figure after Mulready.
Buckham, James S.	Manchester .	00.	
Caldwell, Jane .	Paisley	14 a.	Flowers from nature. Design.
Campbell, David .	Glasgow .	23 c.	Ornament in chalk.
Cary, William Henry	Male Training School	5 b.	Ornament in chalk.
Clews, William	Hanley	5 b.	Ornament in chalk.
Colquhoun, Adw. S.D.	Glasgow	23 e.	Design for muslin.
Crump, Thomas G.	Taunton	. 3 b.	Ornament in outline.
	Gt I	20	Foliage modelled.
Edwards, John .		4.15	Ornament from the flat.
Elmer Margaret .			Flewers treated ornamen-
Evans, Joseph B.	Stoke	. 22 a.	tally.
Article, a conf		01.1	Historie ornament.
Fairbank, George W. Frost, James	Spitalfields . Coventry	22 d. 22 d.	Historic ornament.
	Sheffield	s b.	Figure from the antique.
Gamble, James .		18 a.	Ornament modelled.
Gardner, Rowland .	Birmingham .	14 8	Flowers from nature.
Gardner, Eliza .	Paisley		
Gladwin, George E	Male Training School	0 0. 10 4.	outline.
		0.	Anatomical studies.
Gould, John	Charterhouse	9 c.	Ornament in monochrome.
Gransmore, Henriett	a Female Training Sch	ool 12 a.	
Greenlees, James	Glasgow	. 34.	Figure in outline.
Gregory James	Sheffield	. 18 a.	Ornament modelled.
Gregory, James Guthrie, Michael	Newcastle-on-Tyne	. 22 c.	Elementary designs.
	Male Training Scho	al Sb.	Figure from the antique.
Hall, George .		22 d.	Historic ornament.
Hampton, Thomas	Hanley	22 a.	Flowers treated ornamen-
Harman, Harriette l	E. Dublin		tally.
	Hanley	. 19 a.	The figure modelled.
Hulme, William		9 8, 22 d	Anatomy and ornament.
Johnson, Henry	. Macelesfield .	. 9 26. 22 0	
IS I William	Darlington	23 a.	Mechanical drawing.
Kelsey, William	Male Training School	ol 8b.	Figure from the antique.
Key, Henry	Female Training Sch		Ornament in chalk.
Kinkel, Johanna			Historic ornament.
Livesey, William	. Darlington .	. 22 d.	
Lloyd Ingol	. Macclesfield .	. 5 b.	Ornament in chalk.
Lloyd, Jacob Lunn, Richard	. Sheffield	. 5 b.	Ornament in chalk.
		6 b.	Figure after Mulready.
McFarlane, James	. Paisley	12 8.	Ornament in monochrome
Merry, Thomas	Coventry		Design.
Merry, Thomas Munn, Isabella	Liverpool (S. Distri	et) 25 c.	Design.
Nunn, Walter J. W	. Spitalfields .	. 14 a.	Flowers from nature.
		12 a.	Ornament in monochrome
Oscroft, Samuel O'Shea, Henry .	Nottingham .	9 a.	
	0 1: 1	3 b	Ornament in outline.
Palmer, Thomas	. Carlisle		
Palmer, Thomas Pedley, William Piggott, Isabella	Male Training Sch	4 b	

List of Students rewarded-continued.

Name of Student.	School.	Stage rewarded.	Subject.		
Pritchard, Zachariah Proctor, Fanny Redfern, Richard Robson, George Rylands, Edith	Macclesfield Newcastle-on-Tyne Manchester Rotherhithe Warrington	6 b. 9 a. 15. 4 b. 4 b. 10 a.	Figure after Mulready. Anatomy and painting. Ornament from the flat. Ornament from the flat. Foliage in outline.		
Shepherd, James Strachan, James Strangman, Elizabeth Stretch, Martha A.	Aberdeen	12 a. 23 c. 10 b. 23 c.	Ornament in monochrome Design. Foliage shaded. Design.		
Taylor, Pauline Theaker, George Thompson, Louisa M. Tinn, George Todd, Emma M. Turner, Edwin P.	Bolton Sheffield Female Training School Paisley York Sheffield	4 b. 23 d. 10 a. 8 b. 10 a. 23 d.	Ornament from the flat. Plastic design. Foliage in outline. Figure from the antique. Foliage in outline. Plastic design.		
Walton, William Webb, Maria D. Wigzell, Eliza Wiles, Henry Willson, Samuel Wilson, Arthur Woof, William	Hanley Dublin Exeter Cambridge St. Martin's Sheffield Darlington	3 b. 16 a. 14 a. 3 b. 10 b. 15 22 c.	Ornament in outline. Figure in monochrome. Flowers from nature. Ornament in outline. Foliage shaded, Still life in oil, Design,		

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Blair, John Bowman, Andrew Bradford, Harriette Broom, John Brydall, Robert	Paisley Glasgow Gower Street Paisley Glasgow	8 b. 12 16 a. 23 c. 8 c.	Figure from the antique. Ornament in monochrome. Figure in monochrome. Design, Figure from memory.
Carter, David	Coventry	15	Still life painted in oil.
Harman, Hester A	Dublin	32 a.	Flowers treated ornamen-
Hopkins, Amelia H.	Worcester	15 a.	tally. Flowers from nature.
Joy, Albert Bruce . Johnson, Henry .	Male Training School Macelesfield	19 a. 12 a.	Figure modelled. Ornament in monochrome.
Pickford, Ralph R Preston, Mary Aun .	Sheffield	4 b. 19 b.	Ornament from the flat. Head modelled.
Stephen, Thomas C.	Penzance	10,b.	Foliage shaded.
Thompson, Alexander	Paisley	22 d.	Historic ornament.
White, Sarah	Waterford	4 b.	Ornament from the flat.

H. A. BOWLER,

Inspector for Art.

TABLE II.

TABLE showing the Number of Local Medals and National Medallions awarded to each School of Art.

	18	357.	18	58.	18	59.	1860.	
Name of Schools,	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Medallions.	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Medallions.	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Medallions.	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Medallions.
Aberdeen	5	1	10	3	9 5	1	17 7	2
Basingstoke Bath Belfast Birkenhead Birmingham branch at Spon Lane,	4 4 4 21	- - 3	- 6 8 7 22	1 1 5	16 4 28	- 3	3 19 5 34	1 - 1
Bolton	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	- - 1 - 1	4 - 7 - 16	1	11 	111-11	14 1 6 18 4	1
Cambridge	4	=	5		11 6	-	13 3	1 1 -
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Darlington		= }		0-18	13	-	1 7	3
School of Art . Lace School . Dudley . Dundee Durham .	14 15 5 8	2 2 - 1	26 13 9 20 3	1 2 1 1 1 -	20 - 13 7	1 - 1	28 - - 23 5	2 -
Edinburgh	8	2		1	12	1	10 14	2
Glasgow	25	5 -	20 2	3 _	19 6 —	1	23 7	3 1
Halifax	777	4	21	8	25 2	7	21 1	7*
Ipswich		-		-		-	8	_
Lancaster Leeds Limerick Liverpool, N. Dist. Liverpool, S. Dist. Llanelly	3 7 3 10	- - 1 1	2 1 10 5 21	- 1 - -	6 5 10 9 28	- 1 2	5 11 8 7 23 2	1
Macclesfield Manchester	9 30	1 5	3 26	1 2	6 29	3	6 29	13 1

Number of Local Medals and National Medallions awarded to each School of Art—continued.

	18	57.	18	158.	1859.		1860.	
Name of School.	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Medallions.	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Mcdallions.	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Medallions.	No. of Local Medals.	No. of National Wedallions.
Metropolitan								ı
Schools— Spitalfields Gower Street)	9 16	1 10	2 19	3	8 22	3	8 26	2 2
(Female.) Charterhouse Finsbury Rotherhithe	10	1 2 1	$\frac{\frac{2}{7}}{\frac{15}{15}}$	$\frac{1}{1}$	8 3 2 25	3 - 2	6 16 3 22	1 2 1
St. Martin's South Kensington Female Male	7 11 14	2 5	10 10	2	16 17	5 1	20 23 12	3 5*
Lambeth . Hampstead .		_	2		1	-	12	=
Vewcastle-under- Lyme.	6	2	8	-	10	2	8	-
lewcastle-on-Tyne forwich	13 1 9	2 1 2	13 16 17	1 2	11 12 23	1 2	14 4 12	1
Paisley	15 10 10 2	1 - 1	6 7 - 3	2	6 5 4	2	10 3 —	5
Sheffield	28	5	28 5	7	26 10	6	29 15	7
Stirling	22 3	7	22 7	4	26 10	4	16 7.	3
Caunton Cavistock	5 5	=	10 4 7	3 _	24 2 2	<u>1</u>	21 1 1	<u>-</u>
Warrington Waterford Wenlock and Coal-	23	2 2	26 9 9	2 2 1	25 10 12	1 -	21 14 7	2
brookdale. Wolverhampton . Worcester	7 25	3	12 23		22	1	17 19	1
Yarmouth (Great)		_	5 2	1	13 12	1	11 9	1
No. of Medals awarded.	536	92	651	75	758	67	861	76
No. of awards No. of those Students whose awards carry the 101, prize.	_	103 68	-	81 63	_	72 50	=	80 55

^{* 6} awards.

TABLE III.

TABLE showing the DISTRIBUTION of the AWARDS among the various STAGES at the NATIONAL COMPETITION, 1860.

STAGES.	No. of National Medallions awarded.	STAGES,	No. of National Medallions awarded.
1. Linear drawing by aid of instruments: a. Linear Geometry b. Mechanical and machine drawing, and details of architecture from copies c. Linear Perspective 2. Free-hand outline drawing of rigid forms, from examples or copies a. Objects b. Ornament 3. Free-hand outline drawing from the "round:" a. Models and objects b. Ornament	6	Brought forward 11. Painting ornament from the flat or copies: a. In monochrome, either in water colour, tempera, or oil b. In colours 12. Painting ornament from the cast, &c.: a. In monochrome, either in water colour, oil, or tempera. 13. Painting (general) from flat examples or copies, flowers, still life, &c.: a. Flowers or natural objects,	89 5
 4. Shading from flat examples or copies: a. Models and objects b. Ornament 5. Shading from the round or 	5	in water colours, in oil, or in tempera. b. Landscapes 14. Painting (general) direct from nature: a. Flowers or still life, in	5
solid forms: a. Models and objects b. Ornament c. Time sketching and sketching from memory.	G	water colour, oil, or tempera. b. Landscapes 15. Painting groups as compositions of colour:	
6. Drawing the human figure and animal forms, from copies: a. In outline b. Shaded	3	a. In water colour, oil, or tempera. 16. Painting the human figure or animals in monochrome, from casts: a. In oil or tempera.	2
7. Drawing flowers; foliage, and objects of natural history, from flat examples or copies: a. In outline b. Shaded b		 17. Painting the human figure or animals in colour: a. From the flat, or copies b. From nature, nude or draped. c. Time sketches and compositions. 	2
animal forms from the round, or nature: a. In outline from casts . b. Shaded . c. Studies of the human figure from nude model d	2 4	18. Modelling ornament: a. From casts b. From drawings c. Time sketches from examples and from memory. 19. Modelling the human figure.	2
e. Time sketching and sketching from memory. 9. Anatomical studies: a. Of the human figure b. Of animal forms.	3 1	or animals: a. From casts or solid examples. b. From drawings c. From nature, nude or draped.	1
c. Of either, modelled 0. Drawing flowers, foliage, land- scape details, and objects of natural history from nature: a. In outline	6	 20. Modelling fruits, flowers, foliage, and objects of natural history from nature. 21. Time sketches in clay of the human figure or animals. 	1
b. Shaded	39	from nature.	59
562.		1	389

Distribution of the Awards among the various Stages-continued.

STAGES.	No. of National Medallions awarded.	Stages.	No. of National Medallions awarded.
Brought forward	59 2 1 2	Brought forward 23. Applied designs, technical or miscellaneous studies: a. Machine and mechanical drawing, plan drawing, mapping, and surveys done from actual measurement. b. Architectural design c. Surface design d. Plastic design e. Moulding, casting, and chasing. f. Lithography g. Wood engraving h. Porcelain painting	70 1 1 5 3
Carried forward	70	Total	80

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